United States District Court Southern District of Texas

## **ENTERED**

September 30, 2021 Nathan Ochsner, Clerk

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

ELVYN GUERRERO,

Plaintiff.

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VS.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 4:19-ev-03059

MAMBO SEAFOOD, et al.,

Defendants.

## ORDER ADOPTING MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S MEMORANDUM AND RECOMMENDATION

On June 4, 2021, and June 7, 2021, Defendants' Motion to Dismiss and for Summary Judgment and Defendants' Objections to Plaintiff's Exhibits Submitted in Opposition to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment (Dkts. 71, 84) were referred to United States Magistrate Judge Andrew M. Edison under 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B). Dkts. 98, 100. Judge Edison filed a Memorandum and Recommendation on September 3, 2021, recommending that that: (1) Section II.F. of Judge Atlas's August 27, 2020 ruling (Dkt. 53) be, respectfully, **OVERRULED** and **SET ASIDE**; (2) Defendants' Motion to Dismiss and for Summary Judgment (Dkt. 71) be **DENIED** without prejudice to refiling; and (3) Defendants' Objections to Plaintiff's Exhibits Submitted in Opposition to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment (Dkt. 84) be **OVERRULED** as moot. *See* Dkt. 103.

On September 17, 2021, Defendants filed their Objections. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C), this Court is required to "make a de novo determination of those portions of the [magistrate judge's] report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection [has been] made." After conducting this de novo

review, the Court may "accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge." *Id.*; *see also* FED. R. CIV. P. 72(b)(3).

The Court has carefully considered the Objections; the Memorandum and Recommendation; the pleadings; and the record. The Court ACCEPTS Judge Edison's Memorandum and Recommendation and ADOPTS it as the opinion of the Court. It is therefore ORDERED that:

- (1) Judge Edison's Memorandum and Recommendation (Dkt. 103) is **APPROVED AND ADOPTED** in its entirety as the holding of the Court;
- (2) Section II.F. of Judge Atlas's August 27, 2020 ruling (Dkt. 53) is **OVERRULED** and **SET ASIDE**;
- (3) Defendants' Motion to Dismiss and for Summary Judgment (Dkt. 71) is **DENIED** without prejudice to refiling; and
- (4) Defendants' Objections to Plaintiff's Exhibits Submitted in Opposition to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment (Dkt. 84) is **OVERRULED** as moot.

It is so **ORDERED**.

SIGNED at Houston, Texas, this 30th day of September, 2021.

GEORGE C. HANKS, JR.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE